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Final Fiscal Note

Drafting Number: LLS 22-0695 **Date:** June 27, 2022 **Prime Sponsors:** Rep. Pico Bill Status: Postponed Indefinitely Fiscal Analyst: Annie Scott | 303-866-5851 Annie.Scott@state.co.us **Bill Topic:** REPEAL INSURANCE COMMISSIONER APPOINTMENT REQUIREMENT Summary of □ TABOR Refund ☐ State Revenue **Fiscal Impact:** □ Local Government ☐ State Diversion ☐ Statutory Public Entity If approved by voters, this resolution would have eliminated the constitutional requirement that the Insurance Commissioner be appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate. The resolution would have increased expenditures in FY 2022-23 only. **Appropriation** No appropriation would have been required. Summary:

Summary of Legislation

The Colorado Constitution requires that the Governor appoint the Insurance Commissioner within the Division of Insurance in the Department of Regulatory Agencies, and obtain consent from the Senate. This house concurrent resolution refers a constitutional amendment to voters at the November 2022 election. If approved, the amendment eliminates the requirement that the Insurance Commissioner be appointed by the Governor and confirmed by the senate.

The fiscal note reflects the introduced resolution. This resolution was not enacted into

law; therefore, the impacts identified in this analysis do not take effect.

Background

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Status:

<u>House Bill 22-1161</u>, currently under consideration by the General Assembly, creates a process to elect the Insurance Commissioner and certain other appointed officers beginning in 2024. If voters approve this referred measure, HB 22-1161 contains the statutory changes necessary to conform to the constitutional amendment proposed in HCR 22-1004.

State Expenditures

Election expenditure impact — **existing appropriations**. This resolution includes a referred measure that will appear before voters at the November 2022 general election. While no additional appropriation is required, certain election costs are incurred by the state when ballot measures are referred. These include reimbursing counties for increased election costs, publishing the text and title of the measure in newspapers across the state, and preparing and mailing the Blue Book.

Effective Date

This resolution was postponed indefinitely by the House State, Civic, Military, and Veterans Affairs Committee on March 3, 2022.

State and Local Government Contacts

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